

SYMPHONY IS ASSURED, \$625 UNDERWRITTEN

N. C. Orchestra Will Give Two Concerts Here March 14

Appearance of the N. C. Little Symphony orchestra here again this season was assured this week, when the underwriting sought for the project reached the \$625 total sought.

Returning to Franklin for its seventh successive year, the orchestra will give two concerts here on March 14.

The musical event was underwritten by 27 Franklin and Highlands business houses, organizations, and individuals, who agreed to be responsible for their pro rata shares of any deficit incurred. While the amounts varied from \$12.50 to \$50, most of the guarantors signed for a maximum of \$25.

In the past, the money for the concerts has been raised through membership campaigns, and the afternoon concerts for the children have been free.

A different plan was adopted this year. No membership campaign will be conducted, and a charge of 25 cents will be made for admission to the children's matinee.

It is proposed to make memberships available at public places for some time prior to the concert, or they may be purchased at the door the night of the adult concert. In recent years, attendance at these concerts has been large—last year standing room was at a premium—and it is believed that the orchestra is well enough known here now for the event to "pay out". In the event it should not, the deficit would be made up by the guarantors.

The small charge for the children's concert was decided on in the belief that those who pay to attend will better appreciate what they hear. Too, it is never possible to admit all the school children of the county, and it has been necessary in the past to permit attendance largely by grades, with little reference to interest. Under the new plan, only those children who are interested would attend.

Supt. Holland McSwain has volunteered to work through the school principals in handling the children's ticket sales. First preference, he said, will be given to children who have demonstrated an interest in music. Each school will receive a quota of the maximum number of children it may send to the concert, and if that quota is not taken up within a reasonable time, the remainder of the quota may be given another school. Because of the consolidation of schools, school bus transportation to and from the concert will be available to every child, the first time this

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F. T. A. TO MEET

The Cullasaja Parent-Teacher association will hold its monthly meeting Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock at the school, Lacy Harper, president, announced this week.

Bulletin

The Franklin High school will move into the new \$280,000 high school building this morning. The announcement was made yesterday, following an inspection of the new structure by school authorities. A little more work remains to be done, but it was decided to move now, in order to get the children into a warm building.

Dinner Marks Road Opening To Nantahala

People of the Nantahala section last Friday night celebrated the opening of a new road into Nantahala with a "pot luck" supper in honor of the highway officials and employes who built the new highway.

The road, 5.1 miles in length, extends from the new Nantahala school to Beechertown, where it connects with Highway 19. Over the new route, the school is approximately 15 miles from Andrews, and about 40 miles from Franklin.

Two or three hundred guests—men from the Highlands commission and their wives and other guests—were present for the brief speaking program and the supper which followed. The meal was served cafeteria style from a table that stretched almost the length of the school auditorium-gymnasium.

Every family in the community was asked to bring a basket of food for the event, and the meal was said to have been largely home-grown and home-cooked. The table was loaded with everything from chicken and sausage, through a variety of sandwiches and salads, to cakes and pies and other desserts that covered several linear yards of the big table. Coffee and punch also were served.

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Board Votes To Buy New Fire Suits

The Franklin board of aldermen, in regular session Monday night, authorized:

1. The purchase of new fire fighting suits for the town's volunteer firemen.

2. The graveling of the public alley beside the Baptist church.

3. The changing of the new courthouse traffic signal to a three-way system.

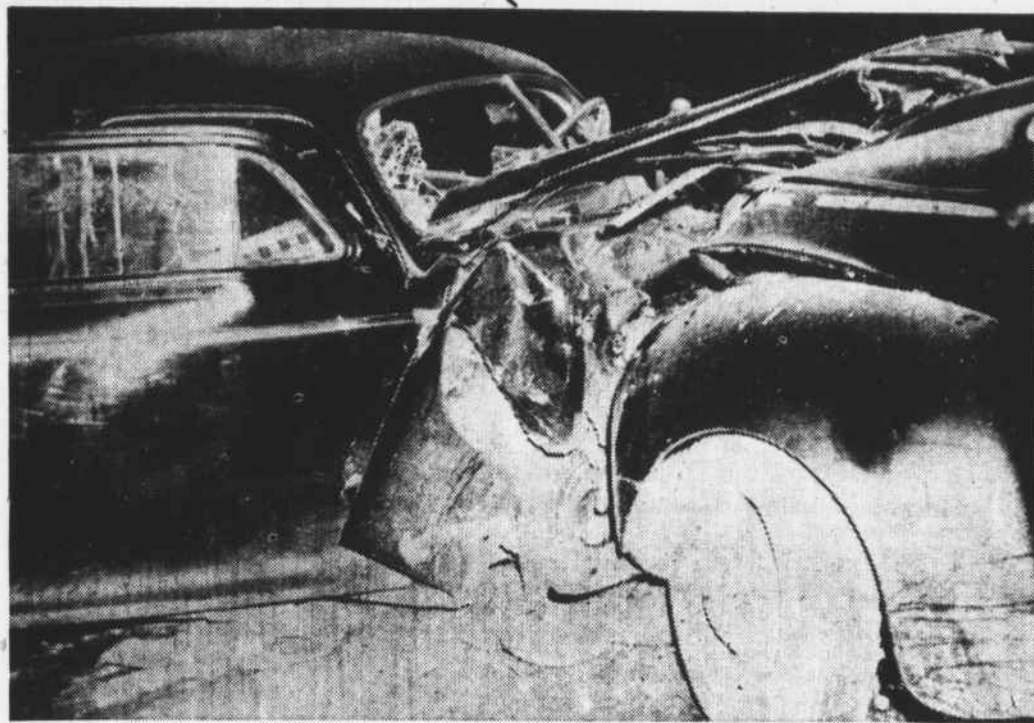
4. The removal of trees in front of the Nantahala Power and Light company's new building on Main street.

Fire Chief Carl Tysinger was instructed to buy 20 new waterproof fire fighting suits, providing the purchase price does not exceed \$450. Chief Tysinger requested the purchase, explaining that the suits now used by the fire department are inadequate.

Mayor Robert M. Dillard was instructed to change the traffic signal from a four-way to a

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Three Die As Autos Collide



—Staff Photo by J. P. Brady

The on-the-scene photograph above shows the two automobiles involved in a head-on collision Saturday night on U. S. 23, near the Georgia line, which took the lives of three and critically injured three more.

Six others, passengers in the 1941 Chevrolet coach (left), received minor injuries. The dead and seriously injured were in the 1940 Mercury coupe, at right.

RESEARCH PLAN APPROVED HERE

'Nuckles For Know-How' Proposal Is Favored By Macon Farmers

The "Nuckles for Know-how" proposal, supporting agricultural research through an increase in feed and fertilizer prices, was overwhelmingly approved by Macon County farmers.

The referendum, staged Saturday on a state-wide basis, also met with the approval of a majority of North Carolina farmers.

The Macon vote was light—128 voting for the proposal, and 38 against.

The plan calls for a five-cent increase per ton in the price of feed and fertilizer, the additional revenue to be turned over to the North Carolina State college research department.

According to County Agent S. W. Mendenhall, the average cost to each user of feed and fertilizer will be about 25 cents per year.

Following is a tabulation of the Macon vote by precincts: The first figure represents the vote for the proposal, the last, against:

North Franklin, 22-4; Southwest Franklin, 6-0; Southeast Franklin, 20-0 Millshoal, 0-3; Cartoogechaye, 9-4; Ellijay, 14-8; Sugarfork, 4-12; Highlands, 7-3; Flats, 3-0; Smith's Bridge, 21-3; Nantahala, 3-0; Burningtown, 5-1; Cowee, 14-0.

MRS. CABE ILL

Mrs. C. A. Cabe, who has been seriously ill at Angel hospital since she suffered a stroke a fortnight ago, yesterday was reported slightly improved.

Duncan Firm

Buys Drive-In Theatre From Pless

Duncan Motor company has purchased the new Franklin Drive-in theatre from J. M. Pless, Frank B. Duncan announced this week.

The outdoor theatre, the first of its kind in Macon County, was erected on land leased by Mr. Pless from Mr. Duncan. The theatre began operating last month, but the new owners this week announced a formal opening.

Murphy Bows To Franklin High, 42 To 0

Franklin High's last Smoky Mountain conference opponent, the Murphy Bulldogs, fell by the wayside Thursday night as the Panthers powered up and down a rain-soaked home field to a 42 to 0 victory.

The Bulldogs moved into Panther territory only once during the game, and Coach Ralph (Chuck) McConnell cleared the Franklin bench during the tilt.

Tomorrow (Friday) the Panthers will journey to Haywood County to take on the power-laden Waynesville Mountaineers, leaders in the Blue Ridge conference. Franklin will close its 1951 season here the following Friday night, November 16, against Clyde High.

The Panther-Bulldog game, scheduled for Friday, was moved to Thursday to give fans the opportunity to attend the Swain High-Hayesville game in Hayesville Friday night. That game, of interest locally since a Swain High defeat would place the Panthers back in the conference race, was played in rain and snow and ended in a 7 to 7 deadlock.

The Panthers Thursday night started building on the lop-sided score with the opening kickoff, and shoved across two touchdowns in the first quarter, two in the second, and one each in third and fourth. All extra points were good.

Receiving the kick, Franklin marched down the field, and fullback Pat Pattillo carried the

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West Macon Circuit To Hold Conference

The first quarterly conference of the West Macon Methodist circuit is scheduled for Sunday morning at 11 o'clock at Maiden's Chapel, it was announced this week. The district superintendent, the Rev. W. Jackson Huneycutt of Wawnesville, will be in charge of the meeting.

SERIOUSLY ILL

Mrs. Adelaide Corbin is reported critically ill at the home of her sister, Mrs. W. B. McGuire.

SCHOOL BOARD TO ISSUE NOTES

Taxes Slow And \$40,000 Is Needed Now To Pay For New Schools

The Macon County board of education Monday moved to issue approximately \$40,000 in short-term tax anticipation notes, in order to finish paying for the county's new schools.

Decision to issue notes, within legal limits of the school budget, followed discussion centering on uncollected 1951 county taxes.

County School Supt. Holland McSwain explained that the \$60,000, earmarked in the 1951 budget for school capital outlay, is coming in slowly, and "we have to have the money now, because the new school buildings are nearing completion." Funds are behind demand, he said, because the school fiscal year begins July 1, and tax notices were not payable until the first Monday in October. "We haven't time to wait for taxes to come in."

About \$20,000 of the \$60,000 capital outlay fund has been received, he said.

The move was approved by the board of county commissioners. Final approval, according to Mr. McSwain, now rests with the Local Government commission. The commission, he said, will prepare the notes and place them for sale.

A question as to whether the Kyle school property belongs to the county or to an individual arose at the meeting. The abandoned school has been offered for sale by the board.

Mrs. Nora Bryant, of the Kyle community, contends that she holds title to the land, through inheritance. The property has been used for school purposes for the past 40 years. C. Banks Finger, attorney, appeared before the board and presented his client's claim.

Action by the board was deferred, pending consultation

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PLAN PROGRAM

The Hickory Knoll community recreation program will be held at the church tomorrow (Friday) night at 7:30 o'clock, it has been announced.

Beautification Of New Schools' Grounds Planned By Garden Club

Plans for landscaping grounds at Franklin's new schools highlighted a meeting of the Franklin Garden club Monday afternoon at the V. F. W. building on Palmer street.

The landscaping project was outlined by the club beautification committee, and it calls for the beautification of grounds at the new Franklin High school and East Franklin elementary. Plans have been drawn by Winston Reinsmith, of Atlanta, Ga. Mr. Reinsmith is in charge of

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Jurors Drawn For December Court Term

The jury list for the December term of superior court, which will convene in the Macon County courthouse Monday, December 3, was announced Monday by Miss Kate McGee, clerk of court.

Presiding will be Judge J. C. Rudisill, of Newton. A full two weeks of court probably will be held, the clerk said.

Jurors were drawn at Monday's meeting of the board of county commissioners by three-year-old Gail Dowdle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Dowdle, of Franklin.

First week jurors are C. D. Raby, of Franklin, Route 3, Henry W. Frady, of Cullasaja, Harry Welch, of Franklin, Route 3, George E. Anderson, Route 1, Carl Bateman, Flats, M. W. Beck, Route 1, Oran Holland, Cullasaja, James R. Norris, Jr., Route 1, E. K. Buchanan, Route 2, Paul Grist, Scaly, F. H. Vinson, Scaly, Frank Gibson, Route 3, L. C. Henderson, Franklin, Armour G. Cagle, Franklin, A. J. Smith, Stiles, W. R. Edwards, Route 3, H. J. Baty, Highlands, Gordon Smith, Route 4, Jess H. Norton, Dillard, Ga., Route 1, M. L. Kell, Franklin, Route 1, Carl D. Morgan, Stiles, A. C. Holt, Highlands, Fred Cabe, Franklin, Claude Conley, Franklin, Route 2, Lex Vanhook, Route 2, Frank Bryson, Cullasaja, R. D. Carson, Franklin, M. S. Burnett, Scaly, M. E. Bennett, Route 3, W. R. Mason, Route 3, W. T. Burrell, Highlands, C. S. Cabe, Highlands, W. C. Arvey, Route 3, H. G. Ray, Route 3, Wayne Smith, Route 1; and Erwin Patton, Franklin.

Second week jurors are W. Lawrence Setser, Franklin, Route 1, D. E. Chastain, Highlands, Carter Henson, Franklin, Lon J. Dalton, Route 3, R. D. Wells, Route 1, J. R. Shields, Flats, E. B. Beck, Route 1, E. J. Carpenter, Franklin, Troy Holland, Gneiss, Mark Haney, Flats, O. V. Hall, Franklin, Taft Henry, Highlands, Charles A. Walldrop, Route 1, Harley B. Mason, Route 3, Vance Parrish, Route 3, Andrew Gregory, Gneiss, Lon Thompson, Route 4, and George Gibson, Route 3.

Clothes for needy school children of all ages are now available through the "Children's Closet", a Franklin Junior Women's club project.

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Driver Faces Charges In Macon's Worst Auto Wreck

Three persons were killed and three seriously injured in a head-on collision Saturday night about 10:20 on U. S. 23, near the Georgia state line—the worst accident of its kind in Macon County history.

Pfc. Willie Ray Tallent, of Franklin, who recently returned from duty in Korea, will face drunk driving and manslaughter charges if he survives, Highway Patrolman C. M. Byrd said Sunday morning. The 21-year-old soldier is in a critical condition in a local hospital.

Dead are Bill Oliver, 22, of Franklin; Miss Betty Sue Stamey, 18, of the Prentiss community; and Tallent's 16-year-old brother, Tommy J. Tallent.

Seriously Hurt

Seriously injured, in addition to Pfc. Tallent, were James W. Rogers, 20, of Mountain City, Ga., and Dorris Carroll Ledford, 13, of Prentiss.

All were passengers in Tallent's 1940 Mercury 5-passenger coupe as it smashed head-on into a 1941 Chevrolet coach, being driven by 18-year-old Lester Reid, Jr., of Highlands, on the south end of the Norton stretch, 13 miles south of Franklin.

Passengers in the Chevrolet received less serious injuries. They were Lawrence Crane, 22, of Gneiss, fractured leg; Jack McCoy, 18, of Gneiss, owner of the car, cuts and bruises; Neville McCoy, 19, of Gneiss, cuts and bruises; Miss Lucille Early, 16, of Cullasaja, head injuries, Alex Dendy, 23, of Gneiss, escaped without injury. The driver, young Reid, received dispensary treatment for cuts and bruises.

Fails To Make Curve

Investigating officers, Patrolman Byrd and Sheriff J. Harry Thomas, said evidence indicated that Tallent's car, heading north toward Franklin, failed to negotiate a slight curve, crossed into the left hand traffic lane, and plowed into the southbound Chevrolet.

Officers said Rogers, who regained consciousness Tuesday, about 62 hours after the wreck, apparently thumbed a ride in the Tallent car. Persons traveling toward Georgia Saturday night, just prior to the wreck, told a Press reporter they saw Rogers walking toward Franklin.

Miss Ledford, who suffered a fractured skull, regained consciousness late Monday afternoon and is improving, hospital attendants report.

Killed Instantly

Oliver was killed instantly. The younger Tallent boy died about three hours after the accident in a local hospital. Miss Stamey died Sunday at 4 p. m. of a broken neck.

Dr. Max Grist, of Franklin, returning from Georgia, was the first on the scene and called officers. Three ambulances were dispatched to the wreck to carry the injured and dead to Franklin.

Mr. Oliver is survived by his widow, the former Miss Mary Judd, of St. Louis, Mo., and his infant daughter, Mary Ann.

Funeral services were held Monday at 3:30 p. m. at the Iota Methodist church, with the Rev. J. H. Pyatt, the Rev. William L. Sorrells, and the Rev. Robert L. Poindexter officiating. Burial was in the

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The Weather

Temperatures and precipitation for the past seven days, and the low temperature yesterday, as recorded at the Coverts Experiment station.

	High	Low	Pct.
Wednesday	68	45.0	.01
Thursday	60	56.5	2.08
Friday	60	47	.02
Saturday	45	25	.07
Sunday	50	19	...
Monday	57	23	...
Tuesday	50	35	.06
Wednesday	...	31	2.02

Franklin Rainfall
(As recorded by Macon Stiles for TVA)
Wednesday, .07; Thursday, 1.97; Friday, trace; Saturday, .08; Sunday, none; Monday, none; Tuesday, .03; Wednesday, 1.07.



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Former All American Charlie "Cheo Cheo" Justice, third from the left, is shown above talking with Rotarians, following the Rotary football banquet last Wednesday evening. The University of North Carolina backfield coach was guest speaker at the dinner and showed films of the Carolina-Maryland game. (L to R) H. W. Cabe, program chairman, Dr. Edgar Angel, who introduced the famed "Cheo Cheo", Mr. Justice, and W. W. (Bill) Sloan, master of ceremonies.